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Beneath Surface

With AL MALE

Slavery and Freedom, when excessive, are evils, but when moderate, are altogether good. Plato.

THIS war is being fought for Freedom from Nazi tyrrany and ruthless subjection by any over-ruling creed.

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And it is to be hoped that, this time, the aims for which millions have sacrificed their lives already, will be realised, and though no person ever believes that a war, no matter how gigantic, can end wars, everybody hopes that somehow THIS ONE will achieve the seemingly impossible.

We are unanimous in our desires for a freedom which cuts out that "gun in your back" control; for a freedom which eliminates every form of slavery; for a freedom which is not gained at the expense of others... which does not create a nation, one per cent, masters and ninety-nine per cent. servants.. yet ... we are also unanimous that some sort of control must be maintained.

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In actual fact, there is very little freedom anywhere even in a South Seas island paradise, where nobody seems to work, and everybody appears to be prosperous, there must be some sort of authority, some recognition of a code through which law and order are kept.

are kept.

And so, as usual, we find these ideals cannot be realised if the individual does not play the game.

GAN ALL HAVE IT?
What YOU want for freedom,
may be also what I want, yet
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The average man is quite prepared to sumbit to the laws of his land . . to pay his taxes . . to work a full day for decent remuneration . . to be a good citizen . . he will do all these, providing he has some leisure in which to do what he wishes.

And surely to goodness he is entitled to THAT.

But does he (or she) get it?

Not on your life.

That inexplicable thing called convention simply strangles most of us. Such and such a thing is "not done" . . . this or that is "not the thing" . . . Why, a man cannot go without a collar, even in an opennecked shirt . . to business, without causing a scene, and though clothing coupons are as rare as mid-winter strawberries, and stockings at a premium, some ladies would never dream of going stocking.

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These are only two of the countless follies of convention.. they are not really bad ones, either ... we can tolerate them, but there are others which are much more irksome.

And even these are dwarfed beside the choking restrictions we bace upon each other ... restrictions which we form ourselves out of our own. jealousy or meanness, restrictions which we impose because of our narrow-mindedness.

These, to my mind, are the most cruel tortures of all.

Because, unlike taxation and law-abiding, they are the creatures of spite, hatred and possessiveness.

What FREEDOM is there for a chi.d, living in a world of unnecessary "Dont's"?

What FREEDOM is there for a man or woman forced to spend their leisure (?) in an atmosphere of "MUST you do this or that?"

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What FREEDOM is there for anyone who can't do even a harmless act without having to explain the whys and wherefores of it to a critical soulless

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The man who spends his
evenings totting up how
much hs wife has spent, is as
despicable as the wife who
"third degrees" her husband
every time he steps over the
threshold.

The chap who "noses" into
his wife's affairs is no better
than the wife who suspects her
husband from the moment he
vanishes out of her sight.

And the only sensible way of
"holding" either man or wife,
is to allow them FREEDOM.
In ninety-nine cases out of a
hundred they will NOT abuse
it.

We want more Love in the world. More understanding of the word BROTHERHOOD...more trust. And no law of any land will guarantee Love.

It is inhorn, and may be

Love.

It is inborn, and may be cultivated just like any plant—responding to the care and affection of the gardener.

The only REAL Freedom is Spiritual. There are no dimentional houndaries.

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And from it MUST come an appreciation of Freedom here. No man can be spiritually great, and at the same time small-minded.
Did Jesus ever commit a mean act? Was He ever guilty of pettiness? He did not even force anyone to follow Him. He just set the example. Yet He DREW the multitudes to Him.

Him. He gave freedom of thought He gave freedom of thought to everyone. He organised the Brotherhood of Man on the simple doctrine of "Love one amother."

It still holds and, what is more, nothing has been found to replace it, even after two thousand years.

Cheerio and Good Hunting.

J. S. Newcombe asks

IF you look in your diary for 1944 you'll probably find a page giving the dates of movable church festivals, and such items, puzzling to many of us, as Golden Number, Epact, and the Dominical Letter for the year.

What do these obscure terms mean, anyway?

They relate to the system by which the calendar is constructed, a system so complex that few people could carry it in their heads.

Put simply, the purpose of the calendar is to divide the year systematically into months, weeks and days, a year being the time occupied by the earth in making one complete revolution round the sun.

The chief calendar of Christendom is the Roman Gregorian, but there are also Hebrew, Chinese and Mohammedan calendars, all with a year of twelve months.

Really there are two "years." The sidereal year of 365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes, 9 seconds, is the time between two successive conjunctions of the sun with a fixed star; and the solar year of 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, 46 seconds, measures the period between two successive passages through the vernal equinox.

IN the early Roman calendar in golden letters on marble the number of days in a year kept changing. So much confusion was caused by these changes that in 46 B.C. Caesar and the mathematician, Sosigenes, drew up a scheme and made that year the first of the new Julian calendar.

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Junuary 1, the day upon which the consuls assumed office, became the first day of the year. On the basis that the true length of the solar year was 365½ days, it was decided that three ordinary years should be followed by one of 366 days—that is, Leap Year.

But the Julian year of 3654 ays was longer than the solar ear by 11mins. 14secs. This n't much in one year, but it a full day in 128 years.

By 1582 the 11mins, 14secs, error amounted to more than ten days. It was in that year that Pope Gregory XIII, with the aid of Aloysius Lilius, took upon himself the formidable task of reforming the Julian and establishing the Gregorian calendar.

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The number of days by which the solar year exceeds the lunar year, or the excess of the calendar month over the lunar month, is called Epact.

The excess of the solar year is roughly 11 days. Should the new moon fall on January 1, the Epact of the ensuing year would be zero. On January 1 of the calendar year following, Epact would be 11.

Beginning with A for January, the first seven days of the year each receive the letter that follows. If, therefore, January 1 falls on a Monday, the Sunday or Dominical Letter for the year will be G. As January 1 in 1944 is a Saturday, the letter, we find, is B.

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Different countries adopted the Gregorian calendar at various times. Great Britain introduced it in 1752, when the Julian error was rectified by eliminating 11 days between September 2 and September 14. A popular catch in parlour quiz games is to ask a question involving one of these days—say, September 10, 1752. Of course, there never was such a date.

The commencement of the year in England varied through the centuries. It was reckoned from Christmas Day until 1066; from January 1, 1067-1155; from March 25 1156-1751; and in 1752 it reverted to January 1.

The Church accepted the civil calendar and added its own festivals and saints' days, which were used in dating church records and private documents.

Each church thus came to have its own calendar. In England, law sittings and university terms are partly regulated by the holy days of the Charch. Some of these festivals are listed in our diaries, and their origins are full of interest.

Lammas, which falls always on August 1, is the feast of the grain harvest. Originally one of the four great pagan festivals of Britain, it was adopted by the Christian Church and given the name of Hlaf-mass, that is, Loaf-mass, a loaf being the usual offering at church. The name was subsequently shortened to Lammas.

Another Anglo - Saxon

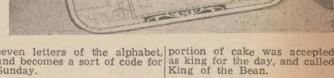
Another Anglo - Saxon word, Hlaf-dig, meaning bread dispenser, was softened in time and became "lady."

In defiance of the proverb that a cat in mittens catches no mice, it was once customary to give money to servants on Lammas Day to buy gloves. Catholic families also gave to the Pope on this day one penny — the Denarius Sancti Petri, or Peter's Penny.

Epiphany is the twelfth day after Christmas, and the meaning of the word is "appearance." The festival commemorates the appearing of Christ to the Gentiles, or, more exactly, to the three Magi, who came, led by a star, to worship the Infant immediately after His birth.

This day of the three Magi, or Kings—Melchior, Jasper and Balthuzar—stands second only to Christmas in popularity, though prior to the year \$13 the two festivals were celebrated on the same day.

Time was when, at Epiphany, people indulged in a pleasantry called "The Election of Kings by Beans." A large cake was baked with a bean inserted, and whoever had the bean in his



On Twelfth Day, 1563, Mary Queen of Scots played the game at Holyrood. The bean falling to her attendant, Mary Fleming, the Queen crowned her "Queen of the Bean," and arrayed her in the Royal robes and jewels, that she might uphold the mimic dignities of the rôle.

Candlemas, which honours the Purification of the Virgin, derives its name from the Catholic ceremony of blessing candles by the clergy and distributing them to worshippers, who afterwards carry them lighted in procession.

Candle-bearing no doubt has its origin in the words of Simeon, when, on the occasion of Mary's churching, he took the infant Jesus in his arms and declared He was "a light to lighten the Gentiles."

This gave rise to a custom among women to carry candles with them when they went to be churched after recovery from childbirth.

A remarkable allusion to this custom occurs in English his-

William the Conqueror became fat and unwieldy in middle age, and was at one time confined to bed with a prolonged illness.

"Methinks," remarked his enemy, the King of France, "the King of England lies long in childbed."

"When I am churched," re-torted William, upon hearing of the quip, "there shall be a thousand lights in France!"

There were, too. For William, after his recovery, invaded France and laid waste to the land by fire and the sword.

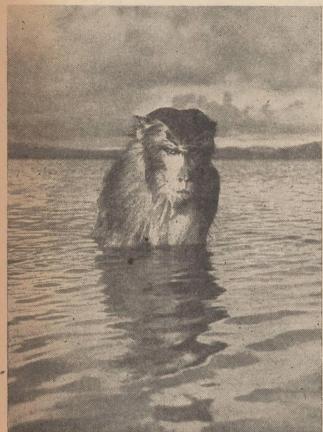
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By the Zoo Man

PORTRAIT OF A WEARY BACHELOR



YOU see in this photograph the extraordinary spectacle of a monkey sitting chest deep in eighteen inches of Carib-

in eighteen inches of Caribbean Sea.

Monkeys, like schoolboys, have a healthy contempt for water. But this platyrrhine fellow, who lives in a colony on Santiago Island, off Porto Rico, hates something more than water.

He hates women.

Their senseless, ceaseless chatter makes home unbearable for him. There are hundreds of these female gossips in the colony, and they talk from dawn to sundown.

You see how he escaped from it all.

I shall not easily forget my surprise when he emerged from the wood, dashed across the beach in front of me, and plunged into the sea.

I looked about to see who was pursuing the creature, but nothing appeared.

When you have filled in the missing words according to the clues given below, you will find the centre column down will give you the name of a "big shot" in Germany at the present moment: 1, A bet. 2, Retards. 3, Precipitous. 4, A Dodecanese island. 5, A wasp will do this. 6, Not yet a major. 7, You cannot see without it.

Roterwin.

BARONESS BOSS.

Ritter and his friend made every preparation for life on the island. In order, for instance, that they might never be troubled with toothache, they had all their teeth drawn and dentures made. They made sure, as far as possible, that the ills of civilisation would not follow them to their paradise.

The island they intended to live on, and claimed would be their Eden, was Floreana, one of the northerly islands in the Galapagos Group. Ritter did not know, when he and Frau Koerwin sailed for Floreana, that already there were other people there.

When they arrived they found that one of the colonists was Baroness de Wagner Wehrborn, who had established herself there with two paramours, a friend called Robert Phillipson, and her acknowledged lover, Alfred Lorenz. The three lived in a big shack, and Phillipson did most of the housekeeping.

The Baroness herself ruled the island like a queen. It was an ideal spot for primitive conditions, and she seldom wore more than an abbreviated costume of silk shorts and a brassiere.

She carried a revolver stuck into a silk belt, and had already been known to use it against those who wanted to share her Eden.

However, the Ritters managed to get a plot of land. They, too, went about clad in "tropic" garments, but they never approached the Baroness's shack, for they were afraid of trouble.

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They had known the Baroness in South America and had been promised by her that they could live on Floreana.

They built a log cabin in a part of the bush some distance from that occupied by the Baroness. But they found the living hard. Cactus plants, birds of prey, mosquitoes, and a shortage of water made it difficult to support life.

Chena beside the two bodies.

HOPED FOR MIRACLE.

In reconstructing the tragedy, Mr. Robinson figures that the fisherman and Lorenz were blown on the reefs that jut out from Marchena, that they managed to save themselves, dragged their boat ashore, and then hoped for a miracle.

That miracle was that they might be rescued.

"But," coment's Mr. Robinson, "these two must have known their fate from the moment they landed. There is no water on Marchena.

"At first they killed iguanas, a seal or two, and drank the blood. But their matches had look. But their matches had no fire for cooking. They ate form the day, and cold nights, these two must have known that death was creep-than the during the day, and cold nights, these two must have moment they built a log cabin in a part of the bush some distance from that occupied by the Baroness. But they found the living hard. Cactus plants, birds of prey, mosquitoes, and a shortage of water made it difficult to support life.

PRENDERGAST
She gave one glance at the situation, and fell on the combatants.





around a dead thistle—from which another mo.e ran out.
They touched noses, and instantly began to fight. They attacked each other like little furies, and the two watchers knew there would be no giving in by either side, for though moles live in harmony with their neighbours for most of the year, when two males meet in the making season, it is a savage fight to death.

But not in this case. There was another eruption on the mole-hill, and Mrs. Mole looked out.

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He finished his hedge-mending by noon, and walked slowly around the traps. He knew there would be no "catches" yet awhile, for the mole stays "put" for the rest of the day, after being disturbed.

He stopped by the first trap that had been set, and gazed thoughtfully at the heap of fresh-turned earth.

He then poked the two handles of the mole-trap with his hedge knife, and watched them slowly come together.

"Yer a nuisance, but yer desarve a second chance considerin'!" he said, and went home to dinner.

PUZZLE

ROEVPL

Solution to Cryptogram in S 35.

A reasonable number of fleas is good for a dog. (A quotation from Edward N. Westcott.)

Solution to Flowers Puzzle in S 35.

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BUCK RYAN





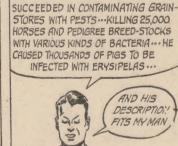




















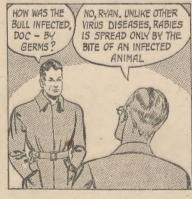






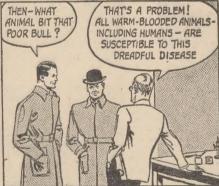








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MILLIER'S **SPORTS** FLASHBACK

GRACING

IF horse-racing is the sport of kings, grey-hound-racing is now the sport of the people. At the present time it is the most popular of any sport in this country, and in spite of war-time restrictions the figures for attendances tote turnover are assuming record proportions.

portions.

When the Greyhound Racing Association launched their venture at Manchester in 1926, the most optimistic member of this little bunch of stalwarts never for one moment had the temerity to visualise the colossal success it would turn out to be,

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As long ago as 1876 it was offered to the public, but did not attract enough attention to warrant its continuance. This is often the fate of pioneers.

The track was set up at the Welsh Harp, Hendon, and a dummy hare was used as a lure to the racing greyhounds. Another attempt was made in 1890, and again five years later, but all to no successful purpose.

WORKERS' PLAYTIME.

One supposes that the "dog" public was then looked down upon as rabble.

The miners and other manual workers had their whippet-racing, and there was a trenendous gap between these and the country gentlemen who owned greyhounds.

The success of greyhound-racing is largely due to the owner of moderate means, quite apart from the huge support of the puolic. Many retired persons with just enough money to finish out their lives in comparative comfort—that is to say, before income tax rose to tem shillings in the pound—welcomed this chance of being able to take a personal interest in sport at no very great expense.

To be an owner of race-horses calls for a fairly full purse, but almost anyone can own a greyhound.

I have seen many good greyhounds, suitable for graded races, sold for a £10 note, and they have not only provided for their keep, but have shown a small profit on prize money.

There are a number of tracks where all the greyhounds are owned by the track company, but this is not a practice that is all for the good of the sport. It is far better for the greyhounds to be privately owned. In the ordinary course of events, a man or woman can own a greyhound or two, and, with ordinary luck, show a small profit, or at least get their sport without having to pay for it.

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They thought that attendances would fall to such an extent that if the tracks were able to pay their way without showing a loss they would be lucky. Instead of falling, attendances have soared, and greyhound-racing finances were never more flourishing.

Such is the fortune of war.

POST-WAR BOOM.

That it will experience a terrific boom for some time following the end of the war goes without saying. The shortage of ready cash is not likely to make itself felt until the last war gratuity, or income tax credit voucher, has been cashed, and by that time let us hope that all the old businesses have re-opened and new ones started, so that there will be plenty of work for everyone.

Sport is certainly in for a prosperous time, but it will last on a big scale only so long as the general conditions of the country prosper.

The soort of greyhound-racing is in good hands. It is well governed by the National Greyhound Racing Society, and even if one or two misguided persons might get am idea into their heads that they can exploit the keen demand by doing something which would not be in the bast interests of the sport, they would quickly be clamped down by the governing body.

That is one of the reasons why greyhound-racing is not likely to lose its popularity.

W. H. MILLIER.

Laugh with Shaun McAlister

A little girl knocked on the door of a Glasgow flat, and when it was opened, said, "Please, Mrs. McCarthy, my ma's making soup to-day, so would you kindly lend her your bone?"

"Tell your mother that Mrs. Robins has it to-day, and it's promised to Mrs. Taylor to-morrow, and anyway I wouldn't lend it to your cother any more, she boiled it too long last time."

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